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Applicant NORTEL NETWORKS LIMITED		

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- a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

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- b. With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I.

2. Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box II).

3. Unity of invention is lacking (see Box III).

4. With regard to the title,

the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

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5. With regard to the abstract,

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6. With regards to the drawings,

- a. the figure of the drawings to be published with the abstract is Figure No. 4a

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- b. none of the figures is to be published with the abstract.

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Box No. IV Text of the abstract (Continuation of item 5 of the first sheet)

A system for doing BLAST with, fewer receive antennas or even only one receiving antenna is, provided. A system implementation architecture is provided together with a detailed analysis on its principle and theory behind this engineering solution to reduce the MIMO technology cost by using fewer antennas whilst achieving high spectrum efficiency. Examples are provided on how to implement this idea in a CDMA platform and in a OFDM platform. A transmitter comprises: N transmit antennas, where $N \geq 2$; wherein the transmitter is adapted to transmit a respective one of N transmit signals from each of the N antennas, the N transmit signals collectively containing a plurality N of main signals and plurality of delayed main signals each delayed main signal being a delayed version of one of the main signals, wherein each transmit signal comprises a combination of a respective main signal of the plurality of main signals and at least one respective delayed main signal of the N delayed main signals.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
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